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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
Shunpei Yamazaki)
Serial No.: 10/694,477)
Filed: October 27, 2003)
Examiner: Mark V. Prenty)
Art Unit: 2822)
For: NONVOLATILE MEMORY AND)
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RESPONSE (F) AFTER FINAL

Dear Examiner:

Applicant has the following response to the Final Rejection Office Action mailed October 19, 2005.

Applicant will address each of the Examiner's rejections in the order in which they appear in the Final Rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

Claims 24, 25, 28, 39, 41, 43, 54 and 57

In the Final Rejection, the Examiner continues to reject Claims 24, 25, 28, 39, 41, 43, 54 and 57 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Zaleski (US 5,455,791) together with Yamazaki et al. (US 6,127,702). This rejection is respectfully traversed.